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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: : Marc Gianotti et al.
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FOR A CURVED STENT
Group Art Unit : 3731
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Commissioner For Patents
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

A one month extension of time to respond to the Office action dated October 9, 2003, is respectfully requested. The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is authorized to charge \$110, which covers the fee for a one-month extension, to deposit to Deposit Account No. 50-2298, extending the time to respond until February 9, 2004, inclusive.

Responsive to the above-mentioned Office action, applicants make the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 4, 8 and 28-60, amend claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 10, 26 and 27, and add new claims 61-85 as follows: